

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3016

Introduced by

Representatives Kiefert, Bellew, Fehr, Heilman, K. Koppelman, Porter, Wall

Senators Dotzenrod, Grabinger, Heckaman, Luick, Miller

1 A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to study the use of natural gas as
2 fuel in motor vehicles, including the feasibility of turning natural gas into diesel fuel for public
3 consumption.

4 **WHEREAS**, this state has an abundance of natural gas and an increase in demand in
5 natural gas would help reduce the flaring of natural gas; and

6 **WHEREAS**, for there to be a general acceptance of natural gas vehicles in this state, there
7 needs to be the strategic placement of natural gas fueling stations throughout this state; and

8 **WHEREAS**, natural gas is approximately one-third cheaper than gasoline on a comparable
9 unit basis and over time the savings would cover the cost of the fueling stations; and

10 **WHEREAS**, one manner in which to increase the number of fueling stations in this state is
11 to have state and political subdivision vehicles powered with natural gas and have the fueling
12 stations open to the public; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the retail petroleum distribution system already exists in this state;

14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF**
15 **NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:**

16 That the Legislative Management study the use of natural gas as fuel in motor vehicles,
17 including the feasibility of turning natural gas into diesel fuel for public consumption; and

18 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Legislative Management report its findings and
19 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
20 the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly.